California Department of Health Services Drinking Water Field Operations Branch

TMF Capacity Assessment Form for New Community Public Water Systems

Water System Name:	System Number:
Person completing this assessment:	Name Title Signature
	Date

Background & Instructions

As a result of the 1996 Federal Safe Drinking Water Act the California legislature passed Senate Bill 1307. This bill added Section 116540 to the California Health and Safety Code (CHSC). Subparagraph a) of this section states, "No public water system that was not in existence on January 1, 1998, shall be granted a permit unless the system demonstrates to the department that the water supplier possesses adequate financial, managerial, and technical capacity to assure the delivery of pure, wholesome, and potable drinking water. This section shall also apply to any change of ownership of a public water system that occurs after January 1, 1998." This form will be used by the Department to assess the technical, managerial, and financial (TMF) capacity of new community public water systems. New community public water systems include new developments as well as the transition of state small water systems into community public water systems (after achieving at least 15 connections or serving at least 25 year-round residents). This form is a required part of the permit application process. Failure to complete and return the form to the Department will prevent the Department from assessing the TMF Capacity of that public water system and effectively prohibit the Department from issuing a permit to the water system. Section 116525 of the CHSC expressly prohibits a person from operating a public water system unless he or she first receives a permit to do so from the Department.

All new public water systems applying for a water supply permit in accordance with Section 116525 of the CHSC must possess some elements of TMF Capacity at the time the permit application is filed with the Department. These elements are labeled "<u>Capacity Elements</u> <u>Required at the Time of Application</u>" in this form. Other elements are not necessary at the time of the permit application but must be developed by the water system within an agreed upon time frame. These elements are labeled "<u>Capacity Elements Required to be Developed</u>" in this form. The schedule for development of these elements will be placed in the permit issued to the water

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system as legally enforceable directives. Even though these capacity elements are not required at the time of application, adequate information must be submitted to enable the Department to assess a water system's ability to comply.

Therefore, please complete all sections of this form and attach all pertinent documentation before submitting it to the Department. If you have already submitted any of the required information, use the space provided for comments to indicate when and how it was submitted. It is not necessary to submit information twice. You may contact the local Department office if you have questions about whether items you have submitted fulfill the requirements contained in this form.

Technical Capacity - Mandatory

A. System Description

Water System:

"As-built" maps or drawings that show the location of all of the facilities in the system and maps that show the existing and future service areas, sources of supply and contamination hazards, and other critical facilities are essential to the operation of any water system. To be useful beyond the date they are prepared, the water system should have a method to keep the maps updated as changes occur. Knowing the location, type of materials, etc., of water mains or other facilities is necessary in order to check, repair or replace them. Similarly, it is essential during an emergency to know where the isolation valves are.

Capacity Elements Required at the Time of Application:

The items listed below **must be submitted with this form** as part of the permit application. Check the box next to each item submitted with this form. Please check the boxes marked '*Not Applicable*', if appropriate, so we know those items were addressed.

	Map(s) that show:		
1		Current service area.	
2		Location of existing and proposed facilities (e.g., each water source, treatment facility, pumping plant, storage tank, and pressure zone in the system, as well as all distribution system piping).	
3		For systems expanding their service area: Projected ten-year service area. Not Applicable	
4		For new systems: Proposed service area and system facility locations. Not Applicable	
5		For systems undergoing consolidation (connecting to another public water system): Proposed consolidated (combined) service area and facilities. Not Applicable	
6		A description of "as-built" plans or drawings that are maintained by the water system and a procedure to be used to ensure as-built drawings are prepared and maintained for all new facilities. As-built drawings of new facilities must be	
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			n to scale, show location, size, construction material, and year of installation the water main or other facility.
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В.	Source	Capac	eity Assessment and Evaluation
	anticipate sources a when cha time for o permit re	ed grow nd syste nges or develop quirement s contain	this element is to have each community water system evaluate their of the and water demand and compare this to the existing capacity of their em to deliver water. This element will allow a water system to understand additions to their sources are needed and plan accordingly given the lengthy ing a new source of supply due to water rights, environmental review and ents. Additionally, the 1996 federal SDWA requires the state to delineate mination hazards for all sources of supply for public water systems, new as
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7			-year growth projection of the water system service area and customer base s consistent with local land use plans.
8		A ten-	-year projection of water demand.
9			nalysis of the capacity of the water source(s) to meet the current and eted demand. The analysis must contain the following information:
10			Documentation of the amount of water needed to meet current annual and maximum day demand.
11			Estimates of the amount of water needed to serve the annual and maximum day demand over the projected ten-year growth period.
12			A description and yield analysis for each <i>surface water source</i> that is currently being used or proposed to be used to meet the projected water demand of the system. Not Applicable, using groundwater only
13			Description of each <i>groundwater source</i> that is currently used or proposed to be used to meet the projected water demand, including groundwater levels, draw down patterns and sustained well yield. Not Applicable, using surface water only
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		Existing source pumping and conveyance capacity, including raw and finished water storage capacity.
15		 □ A plan and schedule to obtain additional water rights, if needed, to serve customer growth for at least the next ten years. □ Not Applicable, no additional capacity needed □ Not Applicable, using an unadjudicated groundwater basin
16		For proposed sources: provide a characterization of the water quality, including a comparison with established or proposed drinking water standards.
17		Procedures to assess increasing concentrations in water quality parameters from an evaluation of source water quality monitoring data.
18		A map of the location, and written documentation of all major sources of contamination, actual or potential, within the service area or in adjacent areas that could affect the system sources (e.g., waste disposal sites, landfills, feedlots, etc.).
19		A delineation and assessment of all drinking water source(s) in accordance with California's Source Water Assessment and Protection (SWAP) Program requirements. Contact your local Department office for specific guidance on the required elements of a SWAP evaluation.
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21			Identification of all existing public water systems located within one mile of the proposed water system. Not Applicable, no public water system within one mile
22			Description of the feasibility of incorporating into an existing water system or being owned, operated or managed by a satellite agency.
			Managerial Capacity - Mandatory
D. C	wners	hip	
O	wner(s)	of the v	nine accountability for compliance with California SDWA requirements, the water system must be clearly identified. It is also essential that the system they own or control the facilities necessary for the operation of the system.
<u>C</u>	apacity 1	Elemen	ts Required at the Time of Application:
C	heck the	box n	below must be submitted with this form as part of the permit application. ext to each item submitted with this form. Please check the boxes marked if appropriate, so we know those items were addressed.
56		partne	ription of the type of system ownership (e.g., sole proprietorship, ership, corporation, mutual, governmental agency) along with the name(s), ss(es), and phone number(s) of the owner(s).
57			of any public water systems that are or have been owned by the applicant y, in partnership, or as a corporation, etc.). Not Applicable
58			of any public water systems that the applicant previously operated or is ntly operating under contract for another owner or entity. Not Applicable
59			ns under temporary (e.g., developer) ownership: The type of eventual rship and schedule for the transfer of system ownership. Not Applicable
60		systen	ms that use, but do not own, land or facilities that are essential to water n operation: Term(s) of agreement for the long-term use of land or facilities wned by the system. Not Applicable
61		the ev	ins with a sole proprietor: A contingency plan for continuing operations in went the owner becomes incapable of carrying out his/her responsibilities. of Applicable
62		orders	osure of any encumbrances, trust indentures, bankruptcies, decrees, legal s or proceedings, or other items that may affect or limit the owner's control water system.
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E.	Organiz	zation
	for every employee the daily respective	escription of the organization including a functional organization chart is essential water system. This establishes the lines of authority and communication between and management and helps to avoid confusion, mistakes, or misunderstandings in operation and management of the system. It is also essential to define the eroles of each person to avoid duplication and confusion, and to ensure that all functions are covered.
	Capacity	Elements Required at the Time of Application:
	Check the	s listed below must be submitted with this form as part of the permit application. The box next to each item submitted with this form. Please check the boxes marked <i>icable</i> , if appropriate, so we know those items were addressed.
63		Organization chart for the water system.
64		A complete description of the reporting relationships and primary responsibilities of all key personnel that will be involved in the management or operation of the water system (including boards of directors or councils, employees and contract personnel). This includes name(s), position(s) and title(s) of those responsible for establishing policies, for ensuring compliance with state regulatory drinking water requirements, and for day to day operation of the water system.
65		For systems with boards or councils: Frequency of meetings. Not Applicable
66		A description of the relevant training and experience that persons responsible for the management of the water system have received.
67		A description of how legal, engineering, and other professional services will be provided.
68		If the person in charge of system operation has other responsibilities unrelated to the water system: Description of these other responsibilities and how much time is dedicated to the operation of the water system. The system Operations Plan may be used as part of this demonstration. Not Applicable
(59	Systems that contract for system management or operation: The contract between the water system and the contractor, showing the contractor's duties and responsibilities and the amount of time to be spent performing the specified duties. Not Applicable
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qı of	uantity o	ic water systems must demonstrate that the water system has a legal right to the of water necessary to assure an adequate and reliable drinking water supply. A copy cumentation showing the water right should be maintained as part of the system
<u>C</u>	apacity]	Elements Required at the Time of Application:
if su	they ar ibmitted	listed below must be submitted with this form as part of the permit application, re applicable to the water system source(s). Check the box next to each item with this form. Please check the boxes marked ' <i>Not Applicable</i> ', if appropriate, so those items were addressed.
70		If the source of water for the system is groundwater from an unadjudicated basin, check this box. No additional documentation is required.
71		Information that describes the legal basis and authority for diversion or extraction of water. This may include documents such as permits, licenses, or other agreements showing all water rights owned or controlled by the system, or a letter of confirmation from the authority that granted each of the water rights held by the system. Not Applicable
72		If the source water is subject to permit requirements under the State Water Resources Control Board: A copy of the water rights permit. Not Applicable
73		If water is pumped from an adjudicated groundwater basin: Documentation of approval for extraction of water from the basin watermaster. Not Applicable
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co go	ontrolled overnme	eption of state, federal and tribal lands, all land uses as to type, extent and timing, is by units of local government (city and county). As such, these units of local nt are required by state law to develop and ensure implementation of growth ent plans to assure development that is consistent with state requirements for their
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areas of jurisdiction. These plans define land uses and include elements and/or policies for utility services. In addition, local governments often are the most knowledgeable of past, present and future land uses that could affect the quality of the system's drinking water supply.

In order to ensure consistency with government planning and to accurately delineate land uses that could affect drinking water sources, utilities are required to seek review and comment from local planning authorities on their growth projections including water demands and service areas, and on the source water hazard inventory required by the state's Source Water Assessment and Protection program.

<u>(</u>	Capacity I	Elements Required at the Time of Application:
		listed below must be submitted with this form as part of the permit application. box if the information is attached to this form.
74		Information that demonstrates that the water system has complied with local land and water use plans.
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		Financial Capacity - Mandatory
H.]	Budget 1	Projection
t i	the next findicates v	et projection is a written financial plan for the operation of the water system over ive years. This is a critical feature of the TMF Capacity assessment because it whether the system's revenues and reserves will meet the water system's expenses. necessary tool that will enable the water system to plan for future needs.
<u>(</u>	Capacity I	Elements Required at the Time of Application:
		listed below must be submitted with this form as part of the permit application. box next to each item submitted with this form.
82		Five-year projection of anticipated revenues and expenditures for the water system. The budget projection shall include maintenance of an equipment replacement reserve.
		For existing water systems: The budget projection must also include the projected expenses to be incurred as a result of implementing the water system's CIP and equipment replacement schedule.
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		For existing water systems: A consolidated financial statement (e.g., balance sheet and income statement) from the previous two years.
		A copy of the proposed rate structure and the <u>estimated</u> average annual cost of water per customer.
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I.	Capital 1	Improvement/Equipment Replacement Plan
	must have timely ma common v necessary necessary CIP is the	provide a continuous supply of potable water to its customers, every water system the capacity to make needed capital improvements and replace equipment in a mner. The development of a prioritized Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a way for utilities to demonstrate this capacity. Improvements would be those to resolve deficiencies identified in the technical evaluation as well as those to accommodate growth in the system's service area. The financing plan for the n reflected in the system's operating budget in order to fully assess the financial of the water system.
	Capacity E	Elements Required at the Time of Application:
		listed below must be submitted with this form as part of the permit application. box next to each item submitted with this form.
87		A prioritized Capital Improvement/Equipment Replacement Plan. This CIP should be reflected in the five-year budget projection. Any facilities requiring construction within the five-year budget projection period should be identified with the proposed sources of funding.
88		Description of the method that the water system will use to develop the funds necessary to replace facilities and pipes in the system. The estimated useful life of major system components must be specified.
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Technical Capacity - Necessary

J. Technical Evaluation

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Capacity Elements Required to be Developed:

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23			mical evaluation of the water system facilities with respect to its capacity to y meet current and proposed drinking water standards. The evaluation
24			Document the water system's ability to comply with the California Waterworks Standards contained in Chapter 16, Title 22, of the California Code of Regulations.
25			Assess all existing and proposed treatment facilities for compliance with applicable regulations, e.g., the Surface Water Treatment Regulations. This assessment must address all regulatory requirements that apply, as well as the treatment facility's ability to reliably produce water that meets the appropriate water quality standards. The capacity of each unit process at a treatment plant must be assessed to determine the limiting flow through the treatment plant. Not Applicable, no treatment is provided or proposed
26			Assess the source, storage, and distribution system's design capacity and operational ability to maintain the pressure specified in the California Waterworks Standards, Chapter 16, Title 22, of the California Code of Regulations, throughout the distribution system under estimated daily, peak daily and peak monthly demands. This assessment must include fire flow if the system is used for fire protection.
27			If the water system is proposing to expand its distribution system within the ten-year planning period, or is currently experiencing pressure problems: A hydraulic analysis of the impacted areas of the transmission and distribution system, to ensure reliable compliance with pressure standards under maximum demand conditions. Not Applicable
			For existing systems just becoming a public water system: A pressure survey of the water system would be an acceptable alternative to the hydraulic analysis as long as the plan for conducting the survey is approved by the Department before the survey is conducted. Not Applicable
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8a		Show that the water system has the ability to accurately and continuously measure the quantity of water produced from each water source, with the exception of emergency or standby sources, in order to determine total production. The information provided must document the type of flow meters used as well as the routine procedures carried out to ensure their accuracy.
8b		For <u>proposed public water systems</u> : Describe the design basis of all proposed water system facilities. Not Applicable
29		An evaluation that identifies all critical facilities and/or equipment whose failure would result in a water outage and/or a water quality failure and the adequacy of the water system's plans/procedures for dealing with such failures.
80		For existing systems just becoming a public water system: An evaluation of the condition and remaining service life of existing facilities. Not Applicable
31		For existing systems just becoming a public water system: A prioritized list of deficiencies and needed system improvements to serve as the basis of a five-year Capital Improvement Plan. Not Applicable
K	A comprepersonnel for the reare required evelop	ions Plans ehensive water system Operations Plan is necessary to ensure that all operations I (full time, part time, on call, and new employees) have a standard set of procedures outine operation the water system. Systems providing any type of water treatment red to develop a treatment plant Operations Plan. Water system managers should the system Operations Plan with operating personnel and establish procedures to I plans annually with operators.
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34		For systems providing any other water treatment (including chlorination): A Department-approved treatment plant Operations Plan, which should address process monitoring, response to violations, and reporting. Not Applicable
35		A system Operations Plan that addresses how the water system will be operated to comply with drinking water requirements and the California Waterworks Standards. The plan must address the following items:
36		Daily operational practices.
37		Emergency operational practices.
38		Flushing dead-end mains.
39		Storage tank inspection and cleaning.
40		Main repair and replacement.
41		Consumer complaint response procedures.
42		Maintenance and testing of backflow prevention devices.
43		Inspecting and exercising water main valves.
44		Maintenance of master flow meters.
45		Responsibilities of operating personnel.
46		Operation of all production, transmission and distribution facilities.
47		Record keeping.
48		A maintenance plan for all facilities.
49		Procedures to review and update all Operations Plans every five years.
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	L. Certifie	d/Qualified Operators
	systems. appropriat	fornia Code of Regulations, Title 22, requires certified operators for public water In addition, all public water systems must be under the operational control of an tely certified or qualified operator in order to assure reliable compliance with water standards.
	Capacity 1	Elements Required to be Developed:
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	For water systems where treatment is provided: Documentation of appropriately certified operator(s) who are responsible for the operation of the water system and treatment facilities.
	Does the water system currently have a state certified operator?
	☐ Yes ☐ No
	If Yes, attach name, grade and certification number of each operator.
	For water systems where no treatment is provided: Provide a copy of the Distribution Operators certificate, or qualifications and/or experience of the person(s) operating the water system.
	If the operators have not been hired: Provide a plan and schedule for hiring the required certification grade or qualification of operator.
	A description of the relevant training and experience of persons responsible for the operation of the water system.
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N. Emergency/D	isaster Response Plan	
water during eme	de reliable service and to minimize public health risks from unsafe drinking ergencies, water systems should have a plan that defines how it will respond not disasters that are likely to affect its operation.	
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75 An E items	mergency/Disaster Response Plan. The plan must address the following:	
76	All disasters and emergencies that are likely to occur in the water system's service area. As a minimum, all water systems must address earthquake and major fire emergencies. Other potential emergencies that may occur in a water system's service area include flooding, water outages, process control failures, and water contamination.	
77	Designation of responsible personnel; an outline of the reporting chain of command; and identification of responsibilities of personnel during the emergency/disaster.	
78	Inventory of system resources that are used for normal operations and available for emergencies. This information should include maps and schematic diagrams of water system facilities (including distribution piping, shutoff valves, and other critical facilities); lists of emergency equipment; equipment suppliers; emergency contract agreements; and emergency water interconnections and/or sources.	
79	A communication network that describes a designated location for an emergency operations center; emergency contact information for equipment suppliers; emergency phone and radio communication capabilities; coordination procedures with governmental agencies for	
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81	Comments	health and safety protection, technical, legal and financial assistance; and public notification procedures. Emergency procedures to quickly assess damage to water system facilities; provide logistics for emergency source activation and repairs; monitor progress of repairs and restoration; communicate with health officials and water users; and document damage and repairs. Steps that will be taken to resume normal operations and to prepare and submit reports to appropriate agencies.
_	Reserves	Financial Capacity - Necessary
O .	Each public wat operation, mainter source of supply, its ability to supply for some water unanticipated expension that the problem by eletter of credit,	there system must have the financial capacity to provide for the ongoing enance and emergency replacement of a major capital facility (e.g., well, a key transmission line, or the largest piece of pumping equipment) to ensure only a reliable source of potable water to its customers. Since it is common systems to experience cash flow shortfalls due to lags in revenues or benses for emergencies, this element requires the water system to deal with establishing a reserve account or debt authority (e.g., trust fund, surety bond, insurance, etc.) sufficient to fund unanticipated shortfalls. Reliability aid agreements, etc., can be used to minimize the amount of reserve
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85		cription of reserve account(s) identified to finance emergency replacement ical facilities that may fail.
86		cription of operating reserve account(s) identified to maintain cash flow.

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Ρ.	Budget Control		
	The budget of a water system is basically a financial plan for the existing and future operation of the water system. It is essential that the budget be adhered to or conscious modified to reflect major changes in the proposed budget. In order to accomplish this, the water system must establish budget controls and procedures for reporting to appropriate levels of authority. There must be periodic reviews of the budget status and modification the budget, if necessary. This will ensure that revenues are collected, expenses a controlled, and reserve accounts are maintained.		
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8	A description of the water system's budget control and reporting procedures.		
9	A description of the procedures established by the water system to prevent ar commingling of revenue sources that is prohibited by state or federal law.		
	Comments		